

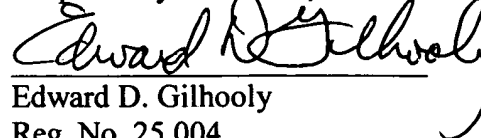
## Remarks

By this amendment the specification has been amended and Claim 4 has been amended to better define the invention of the application. A replacement sheet of to correct the drawings and a petition to extend time for two months are hereby submitted. Claims 1-3 and 5 have been cancelled and Claim 6 has been amended to be dependent on independent Claim 4. Applicant has made every effort to define over the cited art, and reconsideration of the rejection of Claims 4 and 5 is solicited.

Claim 4 was rejected under 35 USC § 102 as being anticipated by U.S. Pat. No. 5,649,870 to Harrison. It is submitted that Harrison does not anticipate or make obvious the invention of Claim 4. Claim 4 is directed to a novelty putter by which the handle can be separated from threaded engagement with the hollow shaft for the sole purpose of extending the handle to increase the distance therefrom for the sole purpose of conceding putts. Upon removal of the handle, the putter is not intended to perform its normal putting function until the handle is reattached to the threads of the elongated shaft. In contrast, Harrison is a functional putter over all of its extended adjusted positions for the varying height of individuals. Clearly, Harrison requires threaded engagement at all extended positions to function as a putter, while the invention of amended Claim 4 only requires threaded engagement of the handle to the hollow shaft. For these reasons, Claim 4 and Claim 6, being dependent thereon, are in condition for allowance.

For these reasons, a Notice of Allowance is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



Edward D. Gilhooly

Reg. No. 25,004

Attorney for Applicant

Edward D. Gilhooly & Associates  
28 East Jackson Boulevard  
Suite 423  
Chicago, Illinois 60604  
312/362-1734  
Fax 312/362-1946